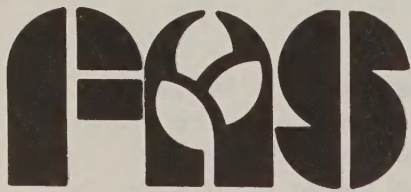


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WASHINGTON, Feb. 10--The Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture today reported the following developments in U.S. agricultural trade:

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

U.S. agricultural exports during December 1983 totaled \$3.5 billion, up 21 percent from the same month a year earlier and the highest since February 1982. Total agricultural export volume in December reached 13.2 million tons, up 5 percent from the year-earlier level. Higher prices for corn and soybeans and increased wheat shipments in December 1983, compared with the previous December, primarily accounted for the much higher total agricultural export value.

Total U.S. agricultural exports for the first quarter (October-December) of fiscal 1984 were valued at \$10.2 billion, up 15 percent from the same period in fiscal 1983. Total agricultural export volume for October-December 1983 totaled 37.9 million tons, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

U.S. exports of wheat (excluding products) in December jumped 46 percent or 1.1 million tons above the same month a year earlier to 3.5 million tons, primarily reflecting greater shipments to the Soviet Union and China. The wheat export unit value in December of \$163 per ton was up 2 percent from the previous December. The total value of wheat exports in December was up 48 percent from the same month a year earlier to \$572 million. Wheat export volume for October-December 1983 of 9.4 million tons was up 23 percent from the same period a year earlier, while value was up 27 percent to \$1.5 billion.

U.S. corn exports in December increased 1 percent to 4.4 million tons, as higher shipments to Mexico, South Africa, and South Korea offset lower exports to China and Poland. The corn export unit value of \$148 a ton was up 39 percent from the previous December. The value of U.S. corn exports in December totaled \$659 million, up 40 percent from December 1982. Corn export volume for the first quarter of fiscal 1984 was up 3 percent from year-earlier levels to 13.4 million tons, with value up 49 percent to \$2.0 billion.

U.S. soybean shipments in December fell 17 percent to 2.0 million tons, reflecting lower exports to the European Community (EC) and Spain. The soybean export unit value in December of \$302 a ton was up 34 percent from the previous December. Total U.S. soybean export value in December was \$612 million, up 10 percent from a year earlier. Soybean export volume for October-December 1983 of 5.7 million tons was down 24 percent, with value up 3 percent \$1.7 billion.

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U.S. raw cotton shipments in December jumped 68 percent to 663,000 480-pound bales (144,000 tons), primarily reflecting larger shipments to Yugoslavia, Japan and the EC. Cotton export unit value in December of \$1,610 a ton was up nearly 10 percent from year-earlier levels. The value of U.S. cotton exports in December totaled \$232 million, up 84 percent from the previous December. Cotton export volume for October-December 1983 of nearly 1.4 million bales (305,000 tons) was up 27 percent from the same period a year earlier, with value up 39 percent to \$479 million.

Export volumes and values were above December a year earlier for rice, barley, feeds and fodders, soybean meal, unmanufactured tobacco and fresh citrus, among others. Export volumes and values were below December a year earlier for grain sorghum, soybean oil, sunflower seed, tallow and fresh, non-citrus fruit, among others.

U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS

The value of U.S. agricultural imports in December 1983 totaled \$1.3 billion, up 8 percent from the same month a year earlier. This brings agricultural imports during the first three months of fiscal 1984 (October-December) to \$4.2 billion, up 6 percent from the first quarter of fiscal 1983. The appreciation of the U.S. dollar and the strong U.S. economic recovery have helped to increase U.S. imports.

Overall, December's increase was broad-based with 33 of 52 major import categories showing increases over year-earlier levels. Higher import values in December 1983 compared with the previous December for sugar, coconut oil, fresh fruit and cigarette leaf more than offset declines in coffee, beef and veal and fruit juices.

Imports of sugar and tropical products in December rose 7 percent above year-earlier levels to \$500 million. Imports of sugar increased 85 percent in value to \$88 million, led by a 91-percent gain in volume. All other major sugar and tropical product import categories showed increases except coffee and essential oils. Coffee imports in December dropped 16 percent to \$221 million, accounted for entirely by a volume decline of 20 percent as prices rose slightly. Imports of sugar and tropical products for the first quarter of fiscal 1984 totaled almost \$1.7 billion, up 7 percent from the same period a year earlier.

December imports of oilseeds and products jumped 97 percent in value compared to December 1982 to \$67 million, led by gains in coconut, palm and other vegetable oils. Imports of horticultural products in December 1983 rose 9 percent compared to the previous December to \$391 million, led by increased imports of fresh fruit (mostly bananas) and alcoholic beverages. Imports of horticultural products for the first three months of fiscal 1984 stand at nearly \$1.2 billion, up 8 percent from the same period a year earlier.

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO ALL DESTINATIONS
OCTOBER 1982 - DECEMBER 1983

COMMODITIES	UNIT	CUMULATIVE TO DATE			CURRENT MONTH (DECEMBER)		
		QUANTITY	VALUE	%	QUANTITY	VALUE	%
		10/82-12/82:10/83-CIF	10/82-12/82:10/83-DIF	10/83-DIF	1982	1983	1983-DIF
GRAINS AND FEEDS							
WHEAT & WHEAT FLOUR	MT	7763,382	1,238,389	+25	2428,049	3532,468	+45
WHEAT	MT	7664,294	1,215,556	+23	2407,398	3507,728	+46
WHEAT FLOUR	MT	59,088	22,833	+165	20,651	24,740	+20
RICE	MT	435,780	181,980	+32	141,911	168,813	+19
COARSE GRAINS	MT	14758,190	1,524,965	+6	5186,718	5279,369	+2
CORN	MT	12931,310	1,327,016	+3	4402,247	4448,798	+1
GRAIN SORGHUM	MT	1696,789	184,165	-7	743,806	494,375	-34
BARLEY	MT	125,598	13,117	+462	39,926	335,349	+740
OATS	MT	3,760	6,901	+84	423	615	+46
RYE	MT	733	71	-57	316	132	-58
FEEDS & FEEDERS 1/...	MT	1461,746	247,251	+10	486,170	494,232	+2
PULSES	MT	168,017	72,658	-23	44,958	36,318	-19
BEANS, DRIED	MT	115,157	53,175	-37	30,788	24,241	-21
PEAS, DRIED	MT	35,691	12,125	+30	9,233	9,880	+7
LENTILS, ETC., DRI	MT	17,169	7,356	-37	4,937	2,097	-58
OTHER	XXX		84,870			22,611	
TOTAL	XXX		3,350,113			1129,612	
OILSEEDS & PRODUCTS							
TOTAL OILSEEDS	MT	8352,494	1,920,357	-29	2770,735	2,128,313	-23
SOYBEANS	MT	7566,243	1,693,519	-24	2452,130	2028,949	-17
SUNFLOWER SEED	MT	681,741	156,763	-84	283,093	73,635	-74
PEANUTS	MT	77,487	61,998	--	22,636	23,206	+3
OTHER OILSEEDS	MT	27,023	8,077	-45	12,876	4,523	-65
SOYBEAN MEAL	MT	1662,065	355,219	+2	599,498	602,967	+1
OTHER MEAL	MT	64,184	11,040	+20	32,595	24,167	-26
TOTAL VEG. OILS	MT	361,752	191,977	-35	110,454	99,671	-10
SOYBEAN OIL	MT	225,847	110,412	-59	64,396	43,503	-33
SUNFLOWER OIL	MT	21,181	11,528	+248	11,980	30,292	+153
COTTONSEED OIL	MT	75,695	37,372	-70	24,822	9,895	-60
OTHER VEG. OILS	MT	39,029	32,665	+18	9,256	16,181	+75
OTHER	XXX		31,930				
TOTAL	XXX		2,510,524			843,199	
SEEDS							
MT		50,923	48,988	-4	23,759	18,266	-23
TOTAL						39,459	
COTTON & LINTERS							
RAW COTTON 2/...	STB	1102,264	345,209	+27	394,866	663,233	+68
LINTERS 2/...	STB	105,949	6,564	-58	21,821	17,672	-19
SILK	STB	145	26	+6	44	27	-40
TOTAL	STB	1208,357	351,799	+19	416,732	680,932	+63
TOTAL						127,628	

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OCTOBER 1982 - DECEMBER 1983

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HORTICULTURAL PROD.							
TREE NUTS.....	MT	64,969	141,059	-13	8,858	23,458	33,102
FRUIT.....	MT		341,666	+40		109,097	96,089
FRESH, CITRUS.....	MT	135,005	68,086	-13	56,694	28,145	28,573
FRESH, NON-CITRUS..	MT	205,277	177,570	-37	54,129	38,754	29,824
CANNED.....	MT	30,947	19,405	+12	9,547	9,094	6,257
DRIED.....	MT	30,129	33,720	+5	9,131	14,985	14,054
JUICES.....	GAL	33,587	52,547	+14	11,034	18,119	17,381
VEGETABLES,FRESH....	MT	145,972	56,790	-3	54,651	21,656	25,677
VEG., PREP., PRES....	MT	88,816	85,355	-3	26,095	25,806	22,639
OTHER.....	XXX		115,874			35,970	33,639
TOTAL.....	XXX		740,743			215,987	211,146
SUGAR & TROP. PRODS.							
SUGAR & SWEETENERS..	XXX	3,432	23,515	-4	1,190	6,624	12,047
COFFEE.....	MT		28,385			9,810	7,190
FLAVORING SYRUPS....	XXX		45,129			13,906	18,359
OTHER.....	XXX		91,670			24,408	29,327
TOTAL.....	XXX		188,699			54,748	66,923
GRAND TOTAL.....	XXX		8,824,816			2887,539	3,499,220

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U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS FROM ALL SOURCES
OCTOBER 1982 - DECEMBER 1983

		CUMULATIVE TO DATE				CURRENT MONTH (DECEMBER)			
COMMODITIES	UNIT	QUANTITY	VALUE	%	DIF	QUANTITY	VALUE	%	DIF
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GRAINS AND FEEDS									
WHEAT & PRODUCTS	MT	107,662	55,980	-48		73,416	-1		
BARLEY & MALT	MT	36,713	26,503	-28		5,104	-19		
OTH COARSE GRAINS 1/	MT	42,925	92,692	+116		11,987	+78		
PULSES	MT	7,246	8,688	+20		4,142	-3		
OTHER	XXX		50,660			66,748	+32		
TOTAL	XXX		142,373			161,397	+13		
=====									
OILSEEDS & PRODUCTS									
OILSEEDS	MT	49,082	72,109	+47		28,966	+72		
COCONUT OIL	MT	80,863	128,873	+59		84,117	+156		
PALM OIL	MT	46,847	55,880	+19		26,110	+43		
OTHER VEG. OILS	MT	41,000	52,400	+28		49,486	+48		
OTHER	MT	27,334	44,026	+61		14,489	+49		
TOTAL	MT	245,126	353,288	+44		203,168	+83		
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SEEDS	MT	11,663	10,578	-9		16,406	-6		
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COTTON,LINTERS,SILK	MT	2,115	9,710	+359		6,037	+46		
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TOBACCO UNMFG.									
CIGARETTE LEAF	MT	21,213	33,547	+58		113,542	+73		
CIGAR LEAF	MT	371	927	+150		4,057	+47		
SCRAP & STEMS	MT	25,091	12,067	-52		19,208	-67		
TOTAL	MT	46,675	46,541	--		136,806	+8		
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POULTRY PRODUCTS									
FEATHERS & DOWN	MT	1,491	2,268	+52		17,430	+22		
POULTRY MEAT	MT	482	436	-10		1,785	-5		
EGGS & PRODUCTS	XXX					3,943	+534		
OTHER	XXX					1,849	+59		
TOTAL	XXX					17,936	25,006	+39	
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U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS FROM ALL SOURCES
OCTOBER 1982 - DECEMBER 1983

		CUMULATIVE TO DATE				CURRENT MONTH (DECEMBER)							
COMMODITIES	UNIT	QUANTITY	VALUE	%	QUANTITY	VALUE	%						
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DAIRY PRODUCTS													
CHEESE, QUOTA.....	MT :	39,238	36,894	-6	108,209	100,997	-7	19,331	16,695	-14	48,814	43,226	-11
CHEESE, NON-QUOTA.....	MT :	6,164	6,047	-2	24,557	21,197	-14	1,900	2,102	+11	7,494	7,537	+1
CASEIN.....	MT :	21,505	20,763	-3	60,962	51,075	-16	7,803	6,613	-15	22,018	15,737	-29
OTHER.....	XXX:				5,145	7,276	+41				1,389	3,836	+176
TOTAL.....	XXX:				198,872	180,545	-9				79,715	70,335	-12
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LIVESTOCK & PRODS.													
WOOL.....	MT :	4,650	11,485	+147	19,363	45,071	+133	1,697	4,021	+137	7,285	15,626	+114
MEAT.....	MT :	196,085	179,208	-9	450,404	401,554	-11	51,710	47,018	-9	124,796	106,472	-15
BEEF AND VEAL.....	MT :	129,697	110,887	-15	267,787	243,270	-9	31,816	25,243	-21	69,030	55,050	-20
PORK.....	MT :	61,056	62,282	+2	169,680	142,727	-16	18,325	19,711	+8	51,872	46,393	-11
OTHER (EDIBLE).....	MT :	5,332	6,039	+13	12,937	15,557	+20	1,569	2,064	+32	3,894	5,029	+29
LIVE CATTLE.....	NO :	328,227	195,164	-41	97,371	67,985	-30	150,068	130,014	-13	40,164	42,776	+7
OTHER LIVESTOCK.....	NO :	116,141	101,075	-13	64,512	68,961	+7	41,196	33,700	-18	20,328	26,492	+30
HIDES & SKINS.....	XXX:				13,158	13,457	+2				3,316	4,687	+41
FURSKINS.....	XXX:				15,040	13,157	-13				6,440	3,737	-42
OTHER.....	XXX:				33,522	32,524	-3				10,425	10,163	-3
TOTAL.....	XXX:				693,370	642,708	-7				212,754	209,953	-1
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HORTICULTURAL PROD.													
FRUIT.....	MT :	701,115	759,099	+8	409,177	392,852	-4	187,359	239,643	+26	124,329	130,083	+5
FRESH.....	MT :	95,143	81,877	-14	166,637	187,505	+13	32,649	27,348	-16	45,147	63,621	+41
PREP. & PRES.....	MT :	683,276	606,007	-11	90,029	77,399	-14	220,424	184,634	-16	30,350	26,467	-13
JUICES.....	LIT:	185,329	240,169	+30	152,511	127,948	-16	80,712	101,624	+26	48,832	39,995	-16
VEGETABLES, FR/FZ.....	MT :	100,935	126,438	+25	60,597	82,749	+37	32,777	36,463	+11	26,265	34,675	+32
VEG., PREP., PRES.....	MT :				87,567	95,211	+9				27,701	27,964	+1
TREE NUTS.....	XXX:				68,975	81,125	+18				18,950	22,820	+20
WINE.....	LIT:	136,484	144,401	+6	242,107	267,852	+11	49,162	49,205	---	85,095	93,244	+10
OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEV.....	LIT:	166,470	190,270	+14	113,780	130,726	+15	50,505	59,520	+18	34,598	41,095	+19
NURSERY PRODUCTS.....	XXX:				55,632	64,828	+17				17,909	16,775	-6
OTHER.....	XXX:				60,336	69,458	+15				25,302	24,418	-3
TOTAL.....	XXX:				1,098,170	1,184,800	+8				360,148	391,075	+9
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U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS FROM ALL SOURCES
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COMMODITIES	UNIT	CUMULATIVE TO DATE		CURRENT MONTH (DECEMBER)	
		QUANTITY	VALUE	QUANTITY	VALUE
		: %	: %	: %	: %
		: 10/82-12/82:10/83:CIF	: 10/82-12/82:10/83:DIF	: 1982 : 1983 :DIF	: 1982 : 1983 :DIF
SUGAR & TROP. PRODS.					
SUGAR, RAW & REFINED:	MT :	837,241	270,799	121,842	232,264
SWEETENERS.....	MT :	755,828	49,262	49,493	63,711
COCOA & PRODUCTS.....	MT :	176,337	171,137	29,695	27,842
COFFEE.....	MT :	97,388	806,037	98,299	78,425
ESSENTIAL OILS.....	MT :	307,839	20,700	699	1,073
TEA.....	MT :	1,899	34,051	5,700	7,090
SPICES.....	MT :	21,317	51,859	11,455	13,437
FIBERS.....	MT :	33,993	9,780	9,175	4,523
RUBBER & ALLIED GUMS:	MT :	17,268	135,102	57,327	56,221
OTHER.....	MT :	167,873	31,956		
	XXX:				
TOTAL.....	XXX:		1,580,682		466,071
					500,080
GRAND TOTAL.....	XXX:		3,991,022		1237,040
					1335,439

NOTE: VALUE UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. LITER UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF UNITS.
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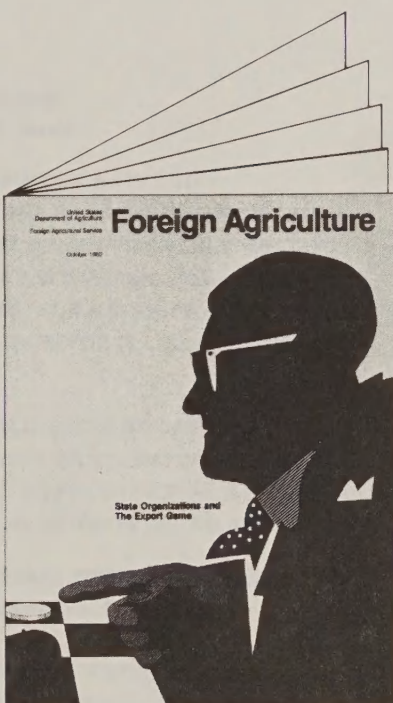
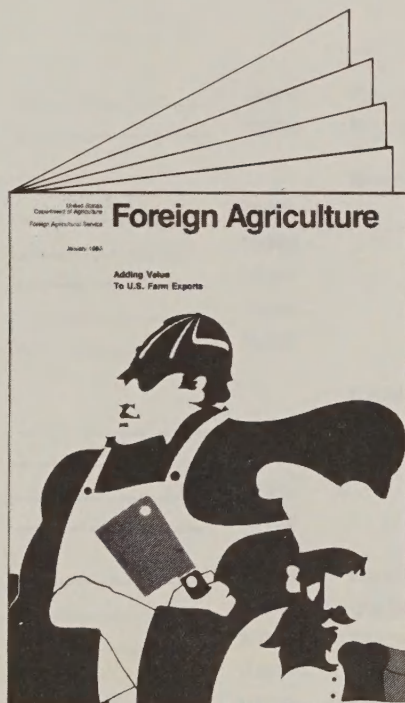
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